

I fully support this petition for rule making. I am in support of maintaining the Element 1 test. Amateur radio as a hobby, may not and should not be something for everyone. It is a hobby which requires certain skills and knowledge, and should not be compromised just to make it available to everyone. "Instant gratification", need not be applied to amateur radio, as those seeking same, will soon move on to some other desire. For the hobby to be meaningful, one should have to study and learn and work towards a goal. This attitude will instill the respect and operating practice which stand the amateur radio service, above the other services.

I further support any move to maintain, or increase the structure within the amateur radio service.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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